

Issues Today Quarterly Summary-4th Quarter, 2023

1. Health
2. Education
3. Youth
4. Consumerism
5. Seniors
6. Veterans
7. Environment
8. Economy
9. Big Government
10. Divorce

There were a total of 41 issues covered this quarter.

Date Aired: 10/7/23 Time Aired: 7 AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Abigail Zapote, Social Security Senior Adviser

She detailed information about the Supplemental Security Income program. She also explained their outreach programs to minority communities.

Issues covered:

1. Disabled Rights
2. Poverty

2. Fran Kern, Attorney, Division of Marketing Practices at FTC

She talked about the latest online scams that are going on. She also discussed what to do if you are a victim of a scam.

Issues covered:

1. Crime
2. Education

3. Jazmin Albarran, Executive Director of Seed Your Future

She gave a history of the organization and then talked about their efforts to produce more jobs in the horticultural industry. She also talked about education programs in the industry.

Issues covered:

1. Youth
2. Careers

Date Aired: 10/14/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Ron Siarniski, Bethany Shields, Members of National Fallen Fighters Foundation

They discussed their efforts to gain more donors for kidney transplants. They also talked about new national education campaigns.

Issues covered:

1. Health
2. Education

2. Jordan Crenshaw, Sen. VP of U.S. Chamber of Commerce Technology Engagement Center

He commented on how AI is helping small business. He also answered questions about whether AI will replace human jobs.

Issues covered:

1. Economy
2. AI

3. Mitch Petterson, Public Safety Engagement Lead for Onstar

He detailed why personal disaster preparedness is so important for everyone. He also gave some tips on what items are needed to get ready for a possible disaster.

Issues covered:

1. Emergency Preparedness
2. Communication

Issues Today 23-42

Date Aired: 10/21/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Jonas Bordo, CEO and Co-Founder of Dwellsy

He gave some tips on how renters can better navigate leases. He also commented on the health of the rental market in the country.

Issues covered:

1. Rental Costs
2. Consumerism

2. Jeff Arnold, Consumer Advocate

He discussed how people can save money on insurance. He also commented on the effects of inflation on insurance costs.

Issues covered:

1. Insurance Costs
2. Inflation

3. Dr. Kami Hoss, Oral Health Expert

He discussed the problems that vaping has on oral health. He also talked nicotine addiction.

Issues covered:

1. Health
2. Drug Abuse

Issues Today 23-43

Date Aired: 10/28/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Shushanna Mignot, Program Director of Safe Kids Worldwide

She gave some tips on how to educate kids about railroad safety. She also cited stats on injuries that do occur.

Issues covered:

1. Youth
2. Education

2. Shannon Pope, Head of Diversity and Sustainability, Sony

She discussed new hearing aid options for those suffering hearing loss. She also talked about how to choose the right products.

Issues covered:

1. Hearing Loss
2. Health

3. Anand Varma, Wildlife Photographer with National Geographic

He detailed new exhibits that focus on wildlife photography. He also talked about the National Geographic Wonder Lab.

Issues covered:

1. Youth
2. Education

Issues Today 23-44

Date Aired: 11/4/23 Time Aired: 7:30 AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Mae Stevens, CEO of American Business Water Coalition

She gave a report on the status of water infrastructure in the country. She also talked about better public education on the subject.

Issues covered:

1. Water Pollution
2. Education

2. Melissa Mullampby, Mental Health Expert

She gave some tips on how people can better advocate for themselves regarding health care. She also talked about rising healthcare costs.

Issues covered:

1. Seniors
2. Health

3. Veronica Pine, Hope Flint, Fresno Resource Center

They both detailed the programs that air the community. They also talked about the growing needs in the area.

Issues covered:

1. Poverty
2. Youth

Issues Today 23-45

Date Aired: 11/11/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Rawle Andrew, Executive Director of American Psychiatric Assn. Foundation

He talked about how some cultures are reluctant to get mental health counseling. He also discussed why teens are in need of more counseling.

Issues covered:

1. Mental Health
2. Youth

2. Ari Parker, Co-Founder of Medicare Advisory Care

He detailed how people can better plan their Medicare coverage. He also talked about the need for more communication on the subject.

Issues covered:

1. Seniors
2. Health

3. Hannah Heimbuch, Commercial Fisherwoman

She defined what sustainable seafood is all about. She also talked about why sustainable programs are important for the environment.

Issues covered:

1. Environment
2. Consumerism

Issues Today 23-46

Date Aired: 11/18/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Sophia Dominguez, Dir. of Platform Partnerships and EcoSystems for SNAP
Amrutha Vassan, Co-Founder and COO of Inspire

They both talked about augmented reality and how it is being used in Education.
They also talked about the Innovative Hearing Hub.

Issues covered:

1. Youth
2. Education

2. Dr. Eliza Chin, Executive Director of American Medical Womens Assn.

She gave an update on COVID. She also talked about new treatment procedures that are utilizing antivirals.

Issues covered:

1. Health
2. Seniors

3. Dr. Craig Hirschberg, President of Amer. Assn. of Endodontists

He defined what endodontists do. He also talked about the fear many people have in getting broken teeth.

Issues covered:

1. Health
2. Digital Dentistry

Issues Today 23-47

Date Aired: 11/25/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Jeff Hardy, International Relations Expert

He discussed new ways to garner peace in the world. He also cited the need for more cooperation between races and religions.

Issues covered:

1. Israeli War
2. Stress

2. Dr. Magnolia Martinez, Lead Property Manager and Congressional Liaison,
PETA

She outlined the dangers that PETA feels is taking place with the testing of animals for scientific purposes. She also talked about new efforts in Congress to outlaw animal testing in other countries.

Issues covered:

1. Animal Safety
2. Health

3. Richard Simon, Member of New Home National Title

He described the growing problem of real estate title fraud. He also outlined procedures homeowners can take to reduce the risks.

Issues covered:

1. Fraud
2. Crime

Issues Today 23-48

Date Aired: 12/2/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Kristin Bride, Online Safety Expert

She talked about how to improve online safety for kids. She also commented on the growing suicide rate among teens.

Issues covered:

1. Youth
2. Suicide

2. Brian Walsh, Mortgage Expert

He discussed the mortgage situation in the country. He also gave predictions for the market in 2024.

Issues covered:

1. Economy
2. Personal Debt

3. Jeremy Walters, Sustainability Ambassador with Republic Services

He gave some tips on how to improve recycling in the country. He also talked about which plastics should not be recycled.

Issues covered:

1. Environment
2. Consumerism

Issues Today 23-49

Date Aired: 12/9/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Thomas Tighe, President and CEO of Direct Relief

He talked about trends in charitable giving in the country and world.
He also commented on growing poverty and hunger.

Issues covered:

1. Charitable Giving
2. Poverty

2. JP Degance, President and Founder of Comunio

He detailed the results of a survey on spiritual life in America. He also spoke about the need for more family counseling in religious institutions.

Issues covered:

1. Divorce
2. Depression

Issues Today 23-50

Date Aired: 12/16/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Vedia Burnett, Senior Campaign Strategist, Sierra Club

She described the Sierra Club Military Outdoors program that aids vets. She also talked about positive effects on the environment.

Issues covered:

1. Veterans
2. Environment

2. Kevin Thibeau, Principal at Wheeler Resource Recovery

He talked about the future of the fossil fuel industry. He also defined some tax advantages of oil well investments.

Issues covered:

1. Environment
2. Economy

3. Lowell Baier, Legal and Environment Historian

He commented on the 50th anniversary of the Endangered Species Act. He also noted some of the accomplishments of the act.

Issues covered:

1. Environment
2. Big Government

Issues Today 23-51

Date Aired: 12/23/23 Time Aired: 7:30 AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Dr. Nicholas Bequelin, Human Rights Expert

He defined what human rights are all about. He also discussed the proliferation of repressive governments.

Issues covered:

1. Human Rights
2. Big Government

2. Alyssa O'Grady, VP of Clinical Research for Michael J. Fox Foundation
Allen Dance, Parkinsons Patient

Alyssa described a new survey to look at both Parkinsons patients and those who may be in the future. Allen talked about his experiences with the disease.

Issues covered:

1. Health
2. Seniors

3. Sarah Muzquiz, Founder and CEO of The Ride Foundation

She talked about their horse care program that aids those recovering from drug addictions. She also commented on the work of volunteers.

Issues covered:

1. Animal Safety
2. Drug Abuse

Issues Today 23-52

Date Aired: 12/30/23 Time Aired: 7AM
Length: 28 Min.

1. Patrick Smithwick, Homeless Vet Expert and Author

He defined the growing problem of homeless vets. He also discussed his own son's journey to homelessness.

Issues covered:

1. Veterans
2. Homeless

2. Brandi Bynum, Blue Campaign Section Chief of Homeland Security

She commented on the growing human trafficking problem in the U.S. She also talked about the Blue Campaign and Human Trafficking Month.

Issues covered:

1. Human Trafficking
2. Youth

3. Jennifer Nelson, Education Expert and Author

She talked about challenges of being a teacher. She also detailed some techniques to improve the education experience.

Issues covered:

1. Education
2. Youth